MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU: ഈ ലൈൻ നിരത്തുകയാണെങ്കിൽ അതിൽവച്ചുണ്ടാകാവുന്ന ലാഭനഷ്ടങ്ങളെക്കുറിച്ച് ചിന്തിക്കാതെയും പഠിക്കാതെയുമാണോ അതു ചെയ്യുന്നത്?

PRESIDENT: Order, Order. I have noticed that in regard to the Transport Department the questions put by the honourable member Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju are obviously actuated by great animus. It is a great pity that I shall have to prevent questions which are clearly animated by what may be called personal animus.

MR. PADIYARA JOSEPH KUNJU: Sir, a word of personal explanation.

PRESIDENT: I have been very indulgent to the honourable member. But the questions put by him have become more and more offensive. But for the personal consideration which I have for Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju I should have ordered him out of the House.

Jenmikaram Commutations Committee.

108 *MR. E. E. PANDARATHIL (*Travancore Jenmies, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state the date when the last Jenmikaram Commutations Committee:

(i) was constituted;

(ii) reported?

MR. S. RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR:

(i) 17-8-1938.

(ii) 31-1-39 by the Trivandrum Division Commutation Committee.
5-3-39 by the Quilon Division Committee.
21-3-39 by the Kottayam Division Committee.

MR. E. E. PANDARATHIL: May I know whether Government will take early steps to revise the rates in view of the rise in the price of paddy?

MR. S. RAMAKRISHNA AIYAR: Orders have since been passed to constitue a committee for the purpose. And the committee will be constituted early in 1117.

Sale of surplus salt.

109 *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are negotiating with other States or Provinces for the sale of our surplus salt; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the result of such negotiations?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: The State is helping some licensees who are endeavouring to sell a portion of our surplus salt. The negotiations are still pending.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN: May I please know the quantity if any of surplus salt produced in 1115?

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MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : Sir, at the end of 1115 we had a surplus stock of 38 and odd lakhs of maunds of salt.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN : May I please know whether salt was imported from Tinnevelly in 1115?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : No, except to a small extent for Devicolam.

Selection of students to the Engineering College, Madras.

110 *MR. P. NARAYANA PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of students selected from this State for study in the Engineering College, Madras, dating from the year 1109 to 1116; and

(*b*) the expenses incurred yearly by Government in this connection ?

MR. J. W. CHACKO :

(*a*) 42.

(*b*)
1933 to 34—Rs. 4,920.
1934 to 35—Rs. 8,640.
1935 to 36—Rs. 12,960.
1936 to 37—Rs. 17,880.
1937 to 38—Rs. 18,480.
1938 to 39—Rs. 14,160.
1939 to 40—Rs. 9,840.
1940 to 41—Rs. 4,920.

Rs. 91,200.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN : May I know whether reservation is necessary now in view of the fact that we had our own Engineering College ?

MR. J. W. CHACKO : Reservation is not being made now.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN : May I please know if during all these years any Ezhava was selected ?

MR. J. W. CHACKO : I claim notice, Sir.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN : May I please know the nature of the expenses incurred in 1937 to 1938 *i. e.* an amount of Rs. 18,480 ? Is it a donation to the College ?

MR. J. W. CHACKO : It was a donation in the shape of fees to the students sent over there from Travancore.

MR. K. G. GOVINDAN : May I know if there were no applicants who are willing to go to that College and prepared to meet their own expenses from their own pockets ?

MR. J. W. CHACKO : Today it is left to the Madras Engineering College authorities to say 'No" or "Yes" to that.

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